

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-7. (Cancelled)

8. (Original) A glide arrangement for an article of furniture including a base having an end including a wall structure defining an internal passage, comprising:

a glide member including a lower engagement surface spaced below the lower extent of the base and adapted to engage the wall structure at the end of the base, wherein the glide member includes an opening and an annular area which engages the wall structure at the end of the base; and

an end cap having a cap portion and an engagement section extending therefrom, wherein the engagement section is adapted for passage through the opening in the glide member and into the passage defined by the end of the base, and wherein the cap portion is engageable with the glide member for enclosing the opening of the glide member.

9-31. (Canceled)

32. (New) The glide arrangement of claim 8, wherein the annular area of the glide member further comprises a ring extending upwardly from the lower engagement portion defining a distal end having a passage configured to receive an outermost end defined by the wall structure at the end of the base.

33. (New) The glide arrangement of claim 8, wherein the opening of the glide member further comprises a recess configured to receive a peripheral outer flange defined by the end cap.

34. (New) The glide arrangement of claim 8, wherein the engagement section of the end cap includes a series of ridges configured to engage the wall structure within the internal passage.

35. (New) The glide arrangement of claim 32, wherein the ring includes a curved forward edge.

36. (New) The glide arrangement of claim 8, wherein the glide member is formed of a thermoplastic material.

37. (New) The glide arrangement of claim 8, wherein the end cap is formed of a nylon material.

38. (New) The glide arrangement of claim 8, wherein the article of furniture comprises a chair and wherein the base includes a lower member adapted for placement adjacent a supporting surface and an upstanding member extending upwardly from the lower member for supporting a seat associated with the chair above the supporting surface.

39. (New) The glide arrangement of claim 38, wherein the seat is located forwardly of the base.

40. (New) A method of mounting a glide arrangement to an article of furniture, comprising the acts of:

a) providing an article of furniture that includes a base having an end including a wall structure defining an internal passage;

b) securing a glide member to the base, wherein the glide member includes a lower engagement surface spaced below the lower extent of the base and adapted to engage the wall structure at the end of the base, an annular area, and an opening, wherein the glide member is secured to the base by positioning the base through the opening of the glide member into the annular area of the glide member such that the annular area engages the wall structure at the end of the base; and

c) securing an end cap having a cap portion and an engagement section extending therefrom, by passing the engagement section through the opening in the glide member and into the passage defined by the end of the base.

41. The method of claim 40, wherein the annular area of the glide member further comprises a ring extending upwardly from the lower engagement portion, wherein the ring defines a distal end having a passage configured to receive the outermost end of the wall of the base, and wherein the step of securing the glide member is carried out by extending the base through the opening of the glide member until the outermost end of the wall of the base is fully engaged within the passage.

42. (New) The method of claim 40, wherein the opening of the glide member further comprises a recess configured to receive a peripheral outer flange of the end cap, and wherein the step of securing the end cap is carried out by passing the engagement section through the glide member until the flange engages the recess.

43. (New) The method of claim 40, wherein the engagement section of the end cap includes a series of ridges for providing a friction fit mounting of the end cap and the glide member to the base.

44. (New) The method of claim 41, wherein the ring includes a curved forward edge.

45. (New) The method of claim 40, wherein the article of furniture comprises a chair and wherein the base includes a lower member adapted for placement adjacent a supporting surface and an upstanding member extending upwardly from the lower member for supporting a seat associated with the chair above the supporting surface.

46. (New) A base for an article of furniture including a glide arrangement, comprising:

a base frame having an end including a wall structure defining an internal passage;

a glide member including a lower engagement surface spaced below the lower extent of the base and adapted to engage the wall structure at the end of the base, wherein the glide member includes an opening and an annular area which engages the wall structure at the end of the base; and

an end cap having a cap portion and an engagement section extending therefrom, wherein the engagement section is adapted for passage through the opening in the glide member and into the passage defined by the end of the base, and wherein the cap portion is engageable with the glide member for enclosing the opening of the glide member.

47. (New) The base of claim 46, wherein the annular area of the glide member further comprises a ring extending upwardly from the lower engagement portion and defining a distal end having an engagement slot configured to receive the outermost end of the wall of the base.

48. (New) The base of claim 47, wherein the opening of the glide member further comprises a recess configured to receive a flange defined by the end cap.

49. (New) The base of claim 47, wherein the engagement section of the end cap includes a series of ridges configured to engage the wall structure within the internal passage.

50. (New) The base of claim 47, wherein the ring includes a curved forward edge.

51. (New) The base of claim 46, wherein the article of furniture comprises a chair and wherein the base includes a lower member adapted for placement adjacent a supporting surface and an upstanding member extending upwardly from the lower member for supporting a seat associated with the chair above the supporting surface.

52. (New) The base of claim 51, wherein the seat is located forwardly of the base arrangement.

53. (New) A glide arrangement for an article of furniture including a base having an end including a wall structure defining an internal passage, comprising:
a glide member including a lower engagement surface spaced below the lower extent of the base and adapted to engage the wall structure at the end of the base, wherein the glide member includes an opening and an internal area which engages the wall structure at the end of the base; and

an end cap having a cap portion and an engagement section extending therefrom, wherein the engagement section is adapted for passage through the opening in the glide member and into the passage defined by the end of the base, and wherein the cap portion is engageable with the glide member for enclosing the opening of the glide member.

54. (New) The glide arrangement of claim 53, wherein the base defines an outer annular surface, and wherein the glide member includes an inner annular surface configured to engage the outer surface of the base.